Appendix I.

Answer to Question No. 48.

Statement showing the names &c., of undergraduate teachers in the Girls' branch who have been appointed subsequent to 14-2-1101 and confirmed.

Serial No.	Name of teacher.	Date of first entertainment in the Department.
1	M. K. Madhavikutty Amma ..	26-7-1102
2	J. Jane Praceedom ...	2-6-1102
3	B. A Ammukutty Amma ...	26-1-1104
4	C. Sivakami Amma ...	13-10-1101
5	M. Pankajakshy Amma ...	19-10-1102
6	K. Kaliyanikutty ...	24-11-1102
7	J. Ammukutty Amma ...	28-10-1104
8	J. Esvari Amma ...	13-11-1102
9	C. M. Aleyamma ...	23-4-1102
10	A. T. Sarah ...	26-2-1101
11	K. Janaky Amma ...	27-7-1102
12	P. M. Chachy Amma ...	26-1-1104
13	J. Ammukutty Amma ...	4-2-1103
14	R. Janaky ...	22-7-1105
15	J. Chellamma ...	8-10-1104

Appendix II.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 54.**

Number of toddy shops for the biennial contract period of 1106, 1107, 1108 and 1109.

Year.	No. of shops.	Total rent of the shop.			Amount granted as remission.		
		Rs.	Chs.	C.	Rs.	Chs.	C.
1106	1145	15,45,747	25	4	2,48,202	0	1
1107	1148	15,70,818	18	8	2,76,692	14	0
1108	1110	11,90,150	27	14	...	..	...
1109	1110	11,93,114	22	0	1,54,321	0	0

N. B.—The remission was granted to compensate the loss sustained by the abkari contractors on account of the very poor sales in their shops brought about by the ravages of economic depression.

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Appendix III.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 93.**

Statement showing the quantity of salt imported from Bombay and Tinnevelly, during 1108 and 1109.

	1108 Maunds	Seers.	1109 Maunds	Seers.
Bombay salt ...	178,156	20	205,975	35
Tinnevelly salt ...	12,992	20	289,361	27

Appendix IV.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 107.**

List of irrigation works in progress in Kunnatnad and Parur Taluks.

Serial No.	Particulars.	Estimate amount. Rs.	Remarks.
1	Repairs to Parur bund—Balance work ...	9,755	
2	Repairs to Tiruvarambu chira—closing breaches ...	9,290	
3	Improvements to Pannikuzhi chira in Survey No. 499/7 in Chemmanad pakuthy	2,000	
4	Improving the tank called Arachira in Kotamangalam pakuthy ...	2,700	
5	Improvements to the tank called Vettoor chira in Survey No. 9/3 in Vengoor pakuthy, Kunnatnad taluk ...	1,090	
6	Improvements to Kuttikattukulam in Survey No. 239/2 in Puttenchira pakuthy ...	2,170	
7	Improvements to Arakara chira in Survey No. 210/6 B in Aikaranad pakuthy ...	2,670	
8	Improvements to Cheenanchira in Survey No. 721/19 in Kotakulangara pakuthy ...	1,490	

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LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

THE TRAVANCORE VAKILS REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : I move that the Travancore Vakils Regulation (Amendment) Bill be read in this Assembly.

MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*) : I second it.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Sir, this Bill was introduced in the last session of the Assembly, and much discussion has already taken place on its principles. From the Statement of Objects and Reasons given in the Bill, it would be clear that this is an important measure. The two principles involved in the Bill are (1) to give statutory basis for the qualification and admission of vakils practising in the High Court and subordinate Courts in the State, and (2) to remove the ban or the bar or the inferiority complex of the second grade pleaders in the State and to raise their status. While the Bill was under discussion in the last session of the Assembly, the Deputy Leader of the Liberal Party made the suggestion that, if I would permit to amend the Bill as to enable Second Grade Pleaders of ten years' standing and more to practise in the District Courts, and if I would not press the grant of High Court sannad to First Grade Pleaders of some years standing, in the Select Committee stage, the Bill would be acceptable to all, at least to many. I may say, Sir, that I am prepared to accept that suggestion.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) : May I ask whether the member accepts the position that First Grade Pleaders need not be admitted as High Court Vakils ?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : I do accept that position at present, Sir, as a sort of compromise.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*) : May I ask whether the First Grade Pleaders, the persons concerned, are prepared to accept that position ?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : I am the member in charge of the Bill ; and I say that I am prepared to accept that position.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*) : May I know whether the member introducing the Bill represents the First Grade Pleaders in Travancore ?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : I represent the Travancore Legislature, Sir (*Laughter.*)

There are about 1,843 vakils in all in Travancore, out of whom 286 alone are enrolled as vakils of the High Court. Of these 286, only about 232 are actually practising before the High Court. There are about 478 graduates-in-law practising before the subordinate courts. There are about 81 First Grade Pleaders practising in the District Courts and about 927 Second Grade Pleaders are practising in the Munsiffs Courts in the

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State. The main object of my Bill is to see that there exist no separate water-tight compartments among people pursuing the same profession. Equal opportunities should, as far as possible, be given to persons practising the same profession. It is a well-known fact that, in the subordinate courts, in spite of the numerous graduates-in-law and their boasted or assumed superiority over the pleaders in the matter of academic qualification, it is the pleaders that lead the bar. Throughout the State there is not a single B. L., who has become a leader of the mofussil Bar.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Urban*): What is the percentage of B. Ls., practising in Munsiffs' Courts?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): I have already stated, Sir, that there are 478 B. L's., practising in the District Courts and Munsiffs' Courts.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): To save time, Sir, may I just ask one question? If the Government give an assurance that, when the Bar Councils Bill is being dealt with, the question of raising the status of Second Grade Pleaders will also be considered, will my friend be prepared to withdraw his Bill?

PRESIDENT: Has the member, who now puts the question, the authority of Government in the matter? Mr. S. J. Nair cannot be expected to answer the question in the absence of an assurance by the Government.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): Mr. Nair can answer my question subject to that condition.

PRESIDENT: The member does not speak on behalf of Government. Has he consulted Government? Has he been authorised to make that statement?

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): I do hope, Sir, that that point will decide the whole question.

PRESIDENT: The best course, then, for the member will be to make that suggestion to Government, to elicit an answer from Government, and then to ask Mr. S. J. Nair.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): Unfortunately, it is Mr. Nair that is now in possession of the House, not any Government member.

PRESIDENT: You can ask a Government member.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): But, just now, no Government member is in possession of the House.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): It is plain, Sir, that, in the subordinate courts, it is the pleaders that are the leaders of the Bar. When I make that statement, I do not at all mean to say that B. Ls., are inferior. My point is that those who are intelligent, who are industrious, will surely succeed according to the principle of survival of the fittest; whether they are B. Ls., or pleaders. I therefore submit that pleaders who have gained experience of some years should also be given the privilege of practising in District Courts.

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